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REMARKS

Applicants hereby submit this Amendment B responsive to Non-final Office Action—Date Mailed: January 24, 2006, Paper No. 010806; for which a response is due April 24, 2006.

Claims 1-5, 7-21 and 23-66 are currently pending in the application. Claims 1-5, 7-31 and 51-66 are allowed. Claims 32-50 are hereby reinstated as Claims 32 and 41 are hereby currently amended per Examiner's direction in the above-referenced Office Action. Claim 43 is hereby currently amended to correct a typographical error. Claims 12, 18 and 25 are original. Claims 1-5, 7-11, 13-17, 19-21, 23, 24, 26-31, 33-40, 42 and 44-66 were previously presented. Claims 6 and 22 were previously canceled without prejudice. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the above-referenced Non-final Office Action, Examiner states, "Although claims 32 and 41 are drawn to a non-elected species, they (and their dependents) would be allowable if they were amended to include all the amendments that made the other claims allowable (i.e. 'means for deriving the CTR from a Coordinated Universal Time standard' and 'wherein the super cycle is one of a single UTC seconds a predefined integer of UTC seconds and a fraction of one UTC second')."

By this Amendment B, Applicants hereby reinstate and amend Claims 32 and 41 to include all the amendments that made the other claims allowable responsive to Examiner's direction in the above-referenced Office Action. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 32 with reinstated dependent Claims 33-40 and Claim 41 with reinstated dependent Claims 42-50 are allowable. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants maintain with traverse the election of species and subspecies made on June 10, 2005, as elected in Applicants' Preliminary Amendment B and Response to Restriction/Election Requirement and Applicants' Supplemental Amendment submitted December 16, 2005.

Applicants respectfully submit that by this Amendment B, any and all objections and rejections are hereby traversed and overcome, and the application (including all pending claims 1-5, 7-21 and 23-66) is in proper form for allowance. A Notice of Allowance or Allowability is respectfully requested.

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The Director has been previously authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments during the pendency of this application to Sitrick & Sitrick's Deposit Account Number: 501166. No additional fees are due.

The Examiner is invited to directly communicate with the undersigned, if it will in any way facilitate the prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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